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Marking a milestone in its own and local business history, the George H. Sheldon Co., of Birmam road, became the first dealer in the New England states to receive an entire carload of International Harvester refrigerator and freezer units.

Historical Society Museum To Open

For the first time this season the Northfield Historical Society will open its Museum on Pine street to the public, admission free, on Sunday, July 10th from 3:00 to 5:00. Here for some seven or eight years gifts and loans have been acquired which reveal the local history in its many periods and phases; be it colonial, revolutionary or civil war, or 19th century; or be it religious, domestic agricultural, or cultural. To appreciate how much of hard labor we today do not do, a consideration of the spinning wheel and loom, of the butter churn, the lard squeezer, the cheese mold, the yeast jug and bread trough, the candle mold, the fly switch, the hand sewing, or a consideration of the fall for threshing grain, the ox shoes, the water log and pump, hand-wrought nails, shingle chisel, cobbling tools, hand-made trundle bed, sleigh and wagon with metal worked by the blacksmith; all these and more bring to mind our luxury and freedom from long hours of toil liberating us for more enjoyment in life. Still are we losing the joy that comes from achievement of tasks undertaken? This is one of four chances to see the Museum this summer.

CALENDAR OF OUTDOOR EVENTS

July 8, 9, 10, "The Old Homestead", Patman Bowl, Swansey, N. H.
July 10, Historical Society Museum open, 3 to 5 p. m.
July 12, Grange meeting at Grange Hall.
July 13, Daily Vacation Church School at Congregational Church, Through July 22.
July 20, VFW meeting, Post Home, West Northfield, 8 p. m.
WCTU Costume Lawn party at Colton House, 3 p. m.
July 22, Lawn concert, Benefit of Students' Aid Society, Green Pastures, 8 to 10 p. m.
July 25, Roller skating party at So. Deerfield rink.

August 5, Annual Bazaar, Daily lawn, 3 p. m. For Congregational Church building fund.
August 13, American Legion Auxiliary food sale, McEwan Lawn, 2 p. m.
August 23 and 24, Garden Club Flower Show at the Chateau.

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Northfield Garden Club Flower Show at Chateau August 23 and 24, 1949

Competition in these Sections is open to any citizen of the town.
Please keep this schedule for reference as it will not appear in the Press again.

SCHEDULE

- Section A Arrangements.**
Class 1 Arrangement of flowers in identical containers.
Class 2 Arrangement of flowers in tones of yellow.
Class 3 Arrangement of flowers against a mirror background.
Class 4 Arrangement of flowers floating in a shallow container.
Class 5 Arrangement of white flowers in white container.
Class 6 Arrangement of flowers in a pair of vases.
Class 7 Arrangement of flowers or trailing vines for mantle.
Class 8 Arrangement of flowers in metal container.
Class 9 Any arrangement of roses.
Class 10 Arrangement of flowers in a miniature bouquet. Container not over 3 in. in height, and entire arrangement not over 5 in.
Class 11 Arrangement of flowers in decorative containers not made for flowers.
Class 12 Arrangement of flowers suitable for luncheon tables.
Class 13 Arrangement of blue or purple flowers with accessories.
Class 14 Arrangement of flowers, fruit or vegetables suitable for kitchen.

- Section B Blooms.**
Class 15 3 blooms or stalks of any one variety.
Class 16 A rose in bottle.
Class 17 A dahlia in bottle.
Class 18 A zinnia in bottle.
Class 19 A gladiolus in bottle.

- Section C Potted Plants.**
Class 20 Flowering plants.
Class 21 Foliage plants.
Class 22 Ferns.
Class 23 Rare or unusual plants.
Class 24 Begonias.
a. Fibrous.
b. Tuberosus.
Class 25 African Violets.

- Section D Flowers as I like them.**
Section E Branches or sprays bearing fruit or seed pods.
Section F Natural bit of woodland in a tray.
Section G Best display of vegetables.
Section H Bouquets of wild flowers.
Section I Displays of herbs.
Section J Displays of flowers.
Section K Semi-professional Exhibits.
Section L A-H Club and Scouts Exhibits.
Section M Men's Class. Any arrangement of flowers.
Section N Special Exhibits.

All exhibits must be ready for inspection of the judges by 11:00 Tuesday morning, August 23.
Only one entry may be made in each class.

George Carr Retires Sanderson Succeeds

George W. Carr, who for 41 years has been associated with the Northfield School for Girls, and more recently was the Superintendent of Grounds at that school, retired on July 1.
He was succeeded by Winthrop W. Sanderson, who until this time has been associated with Carr in the supervision of the grounds.

Sanderson has been with the Northfield School for Girls for nearly three years.

Congregational church Annual Bazaar

Coming August 5, rain or shine, the annual Bazaar sponsored by the Congregational Church Guild for the Benefit of the New Church Building Fund. It will be held at three o'clock on Daly's lawn on Highland avenue, East Northfield. If the weather is pleasant, otherwise in the church vestry.

There will be something of interest for everyone. There will be Jeep rides for children of all ages, and for the very young there will be a doll carriage and tricycle parade with prizes. It isn't too soon to get your ideas ready for decorating these vehicles. Watch the PRESS for further details.

Sunday Dinners - Homemade Pastries Friday Special - Fried Scallops

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Local Artists Show In Deerfield Exhibit

The local people exhibiting their recent work at the Deerfield Valley Arts Association annual exhibit at the Old Barn, Deerfield Academy, are Mrs. Mildred Nims and Mrs. Gertrude Whitney. Two outstanding oils by the late Gustav Wolf of East Northfield, are also being shown, consisting of a mellow October interior and a beautifully executed study of dahlias. The exhibition will continue until July 17.

Both of the late Prof. Wolf's paintings are receiving high praise from the critics. There are several outstanding works of other professional guest artists well worth seeing and enjoying, notably a superb painting of a ship in Gloucester Harbor, "Yankee", by Emile A. Gruppe, and the very remarkable portrait entitled, "Phyllida", by Augustus Vincent Tack, who is at present engaged in painting a picture of President Truman.

Daily Vacation Bible School

One of the best Daily Vacation Bible Schools to be held anywhere in America each summer is conducted in the Trinitarian Congregational Church of Northfield while the Religious Education Conference is in session on the campus of the Northfield School for Girls. The dates this year: Wednesday, July 13 to Friday, July 22, 9:00 to 11:30 a. m.

The School is directed by Miss Edith Welker, Associate Secretary of Religious Education in the Connecticut Council of Churches. Miss Welker is assisted by professionally trained workers in religious education who have been eminently successful in dealing with particular age groups of children. The general theme this year will be Ideas of God and Worship. There is to be a family picnic supper and program on the evening before the School closes. The School is for children three to fourteen years of age. Children of year-round residents of Northfield have your children registered on the first day, if possible.

Isabel, Monroe Smith Lead World Flight

Monroe and Isabel Smith, founders of Youth Argosy, Inc., with national headquarters in this town, will lead a band of 50 Argonauts in a two-month round the world air voyage.

The flight leaves from Bradley Field, Conn., this week end and includes an itinerary of almost all of the fabulous cities of the world. The first stop after Bradley Field will be Denver, then to San Francisco, Honolulu, Midway, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Bangkok, Calcutta, Bombay, Teheran, Baghdad, Jerusalem, Cairo, Athens, Geneva, London, Paris and finally either by boat to Quebec or by plane to Bradley Field. The return plane will arrive in the United States near the end of August while the boat will arrive in Quebec on Sept. 17. The itinerary, according to Monroe and Isabel Smith, is an elastic one and may be changed as the trip progresses.

One of the co-plots on the round the world jaunt will be Ruth Nichols, famed aviatrix, who will be the first woman pilot to have circled the globe. The PRESS will carry stories of the world spanning Argonauts in future issues.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE REVEALS PLANS FOR FORMER AYH BUILDING

Following immediately the announcement of the purchase of the AYH property by Youth Argosy, Inc. Monroe Smith, Director, revealed this week the formation of a committee for the development of the property.

The committee, consisting of Jessie and Mott Guhae, Mr. and Mrs. Constance George, Alna and Unto Hantunen, Bill Kinley, Mr. and Mrs. C. Rupert Luey, Mrs.

Helen G. Benney and Isabel Monroe Smith, will begin immediate planning for the gradual development of the property for community-wide use as an office building and educational and recreational center.

Exterior and interior repair and painting work will begin immediately on the former AYH national headquarters building. As work progresses the first of the rooms will be occupied by Youth Argosy, as well as the Northfield Press. A large room will be set up as The Exchange, where local residents may display a varied list of items for sale, and present plans include a small tea room for the building. A room at the front of the building will be used as a recreation room for the entire building. A tourist information center will be established in the very near future. If there is an apparent need a Faculty Club, with cooking facilities, will be set up for teachers seeking convenient living quarters.

Benefit Concert at Green Pastures

A lawn concert will be held on July 22 at Green Pastures in East Northfield for the benefit of the Students' Aid Society of the Northfield School for Girls.

The Students' Aid Society, founded in 1886 by Mrs. D. L. Moody, Mrs. Julius Estey and Mrs. Frederick Billings, has through the years, rallied to the assistance of worthy girls who are attempting to fit themselves for constructive world work. This year 78 loans, totaling \$6,797, were made. An even larger amount will be needed in September.

In June of this year, Miss Mira B. Wilson, head of the Northfield School for Girls, brought out the critical situation facing the Students' Aid Society when she said, "The usual Scholarship funds have shrunk so far below the normal level that many fine girls must be denied financial aid unless we can find a way to meet the emergency." The outcome was the planning of the July 22nd concert at Green Pastures.

1802 girls have made use of the Society, and no interest is charged for the loans, and it is asked that the girls return the money when they begin to earn. Through this system many girls are able to use the same funds.

The program for this year's benefit is as follows:
July 22 at Green Pastures: 8 to 9 p. m. Art and Curio exhibit, food sale, Dollar sale of books and records, 9 to 10 p. m. Music by the Salvation Army Summer Camp. Last half, solo and choruses by the Conference Choir. (Students of Mt. Hermon and Northfield School for Girls.)

WCTU To Sponsor Costume Lawn Party

The WCTU will sponsor a Frances Willard lawn party at the House of Colton, Main street, East Northfield, Wednesday, July 20, at 3 p. m.

Refreshments will be served and an offering will be received for the work of the WCTU. The hostesses for the occasion will be dressed in appropriate period costumes of 75 years ago. Various leading figures in Temperance work will be represented including Frances Willard and her mother. This is an opportunity for getting acquainted with your neighbors.

No Summer 'Breeze'

Harold Briesmaster has announced he is offering the readers of the Press a summer's vacation from reading his column "Breeze". He will return to the fray in the fall.

Card of Thanks

An expression of appreciation to those who remembered Mrs. Fred S. Merrifield during her long illness and who, at the time of her death, sent kind messages to the family, and flowers in remembrance of her.

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From the Editorial Column of the Vermont Phoenix, Brattleboro, Vt., July 1, 1949:

Barre, Vermont, has been experiencing some difficulties with its new public swimming pool, cost of which already has reached more than \$110,000 and is likely to be more before structural faults are corrected. But in the long run there is no doubt that the advantages provided by this facility will outweigh the initial investment. It is a backward community that does not provide something in the way of supervised aquatic recreation these days.



TRINITARIAN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves, Minister.

Sunday, July 10,
11:00 a. m. Worshipping with the Missionary Conference at the Auditorium on the campus of the Northfield School for Girls. The Rev. Gerald Watkins, Pastor of the Lake Avenue Baptist Church, Rochester, N. Y., will preach.

The Daily Vacation Bible School starts on Wednesday, July 13 at 9:00 a. m.

Monday, July 25,
Roller Skating party at the South Deerfield rink, sponsored by the Young People.

Friday, August 5,
Annual Bazaar on the Daly lawn for the benefit of the New Church Building Fund.

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Loyal Workers, 6:45 p. m.
Praise Service, 7:30 p. m.
Daily Bible School, July 14 to 18, 9 to 11:45 a. m.

UNITARIAN CHURCH

Rev. Richard G. Sechrist, Minister.

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Rev. Henry J. McCormick, Pastor.
Masses: First Sunday of Month, 8:30 a. m. All other Sundays, 10:30 a. m.

FREE METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Helen D. Bassett, Pastor.

Sunday, July 10,
10:30 a. m. Service and sermon, "A Conscience Void of Offense."
11:30 a. m. Sunday School.
7:00 p. m. Prayer and Praise.
Wednesday, July 13,
Mid-week prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Florence Janes.

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- 9—Bahama Islands founded, 1647.
 - 10—U.S. formally receives east Florida from Spain, 1821.
 - 11—Aaron Burr, Alexander Hamilton duel, 1804.
 - 12—First civil service examinations given, 1893.
 - 13—Sir Walter Raleigh founds Virginia territory, 1584.
 - 14—New York World's Fair opened, 1933.
 - 15—Georgia reenters the Union, 1870.

THE "SQUEEZE" BOX

(Letters should be limited to 400 words or less. All letters must be signed by the writer - the name will not be used if you so desire.)

Patriotic or Selfish?

To the Editor:
Northfield celebrated the 173rd birthday of our Nation in an extremely quiet manner, as far as loud demonstration was concerned, but what shooting there was, came off at the wrong time. Sunday night, between eleven and twelve o'clock, is no time for shooting off pistols (or taboored cannon crackers) in a neighborhood that turns out the lights and puts out the cat at 9:00 p. m.

All through Monday, when those who so desired could have celebrated safely, sanely and not too noisily, an almost Sabbath stillness prevailed here in town. People had just settled down after an enervating day, to be awakened by what sounded like thunder but proved to be only set pieces of fireworks going off up New Hampshire way... back to sleep, but not for long. Bang! Bang! "Cannon to the right, cannon to the left, they volleyed and thundered!" "The wee sma' hours" dragged on and on for sleepless eyes; one tossed and turned, readjusted pillows, threw off the blanket, for it was the very hottest night so far—then, exhausted, one caught a few winks of sleep until the birds started their matins. Oh, friends and fellow citizens, what a night!

The offenders, whoever they were, certainly old enough to know better, thought they were being patriotic; we say just plumb selfish and regardless of the comforts of others. Today, now that the show is over and the law forbids fireworks of any kind, the young fry are firing off the residue. Where are the mothers that this is allowed?

July 4, 1949, has passed into history as the hottest day of the season, with the mercury hitting as high as 101 in places, and the nationwide casualties the greatest in any one week end holiday period. Such things ought not to be.

E. N. Whippoorwill

INFORMATION for VETERANS Questions - Answers

Q—I served more than three years in the U. S. Army during World War II. I now wish to take an institutional on-farm training, and would like to know how much training I will be permitted to take?

A—An institutional on-farm training course may be as long as, but no longer than, is necessary to meet your individual training needs or until you have exhausted your four year period of eligibility.

Q—Do I have to meet any set standard if I am taking an on-farm training course?

A—Yes. Once you start training, it is your responsibility to meet the standards of progress set by the institution in which you are enrolled. If you fail, your benefits will be discontinued.

Q—What farming tools and farming implements do I get while I am taking an on-farm training course under the GI Bill?

A—VA will furnish you with no tools or farm implements since these are articles with which the farm must be equipped to meet the requirements of the law. However, books and incidental supplies required for classroom work will be furnished you.

Q—I am a veteran of World War II. What is the latest date on which I can start on-farm training under the GI Bill?

A—You may commence training within four years from July 26, 1947, or within four years from your discharge or separation from service, whichever is later.

WELCOME RIDGE DWELLERS and HIGHLANDERS

We're always glad when our summer residents come back to town. A hearty welcome to you all!

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Bird Sleuths Renew Quest For Strange Alaskan Bird

Bird detectives are getting set for another try at solving the mystery that has baffled them for the past 163 years. The bird that has been leading luckless scientists such a long chase is the Bristle-thighed Curlew, the only North American bird whose nesting place and fledgling young have never yet been found or described.

The latest expedition to get sleuthing for the haunts of the elusive bird in Alaska is sponsored by the National Geographic society in conjunction with Cornell University and the Arctic Institute of North America.

This member of the curlew family is a long-range commuter. Its habitat most of the year is the South Sea Islands in latitudes as far south as southern Peru and northern Chile. Yet toward the end of each spring it wings thousands of miles northward to the remote fastnesses of rugged Alaska to nest and raise its brood. Only when the young are full grown—usually sometime in August—does the family depart from its sub-Arctic hide-out to return to semi-tropical isles above and below the equator.

The Bristle-thighed Curlew is so called because of the lengthened shafts of some of its flank feathers which project from its sides like bristles or stiff hairs. The adult bird is between 16 and 18 inches long, with variegated brown plumage. It has a very short whistling call, and it feeds mostly on mollusks, crustaceans and other shore-flats life.

Sex Hormones May Reduce Swine Production Problems

Skilled use of sex hormones in hogs offers a possibility of bringing more pork to American dinner tables and of easing the multiple problems of swine production at the same time, according to a report in a national veterinary journal.

Dr. L. M. Hutchings of Purdue university, writing in the Journal of the American Veterinary Medical Association, said this hormone technique was developed by Professors H. H. Cole and H. H. Hughes of the University of California.

Injection of the hormone, equine gonadotropin, late in the fourth or fifth day of lactation shortened as much as two to four weeks the period between successive farrowings, Dr. Hutchings stated.

In addition to shortening the farrowing season, use of the hormone would allow greater lifetime production per breeding animal—at least one extra litter per sow—provided farmers could adjust their feeding and management schedules to meet the stepped-up production program.

Effectiveness of the hormone is attributed to its marked stimulating action on the ovaries. In the hands of experts, it was over 95 per cent efficient in bringing about desired results, the writer said.

When Young Men Went West

Our great Northwest is important as the place where organized United States government first reached the Pacific ocean. This happened 100 years ago—only 72 years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence. On August 14, 1848, President James Polk created Oregon territory, a mammoth province from which the states of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and parts of Wyoming and Montana were later carved. Orderly government reached the Oregon country by wagon. Hardly had serious-minded farmers and ranchers whipped their oxen over the last mile of Oregon trail before they had set up a provisional government at Champego, near Portland, Ore., in 1848. In one jump they projected the nation's frontier 2,000 miles westward.

Many towns and cities in North Dakota are carrying on 75th anniversary programs. Many of these are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the first settler, a pioneer planter, who came to the area in 1848 and launched the most ambitious city program in the state. Butcher believes. Everyone in Dakota can help control mosquitoes by spraying their own shrubbery, the outside walls of their buildings and adjoining grass or weed areas. Use either DDT emulsions or DDT wettable powder diluted to about one per cent strength. The same DDT treatment will help control flies. Home owners can paint their screens with 5 per cent DDT oil solution. This kills flies and similar insects contacting the screens.

Milk By-Products Hold Infant Food Source

An infant food made from edible by-products of milk may soon open a new market for dairymen in tests now going on in Mexico continue to show favorable results. This is the conclusion drawn by Dr. Harold Macy of the University of Minnesota.

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The new baby food will offer opportunities for use in many countries if future experiments prove satisfactory.

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The calf usually lies down again before trying to rise to all four feet, the journal reported.



Pig Brooders Used To Protect Litter

Are Found Valuable At Farrowing Time

"This little pig went to market" is a great first life for a nursery rhyme. But it doesn't go far enough as far as farmers are concerned. They'd rather wait until the pig grows up before sending it to market. And the growing-up process is no snap, especially during the first few weeks when the old sow may crush her precious off-spring as they crowd around her in an effort to keep warm.

The problem of getting hogs to



Here is shown a pig brooder in operation. Ofttimes some form of supplementary heat is necessary to prevent a high mortality rate among pigs. Pig brooders, such as this, have been developed for this purpose.

market starts at farrowing time. In the spring some form of supplementary heat is needed to prevent a high mortality rate. Pig brooders have been developed for this purpose. Their use will save an average of one and a half pigs per litter, according to Purdue university.

Brooders are easy to build and economical to operate. Generally, they are constructed by boarding off a corner of the farrowing pen to a height of about 16 inches. A roof is placed over this rectangular enclosure and a board nailed across the front opening about 8 inches above the floor. Heat is provided by a 150 to 300-watt lamp, the size depending on weather conditions.

A hole is cut in the top, and the lamp placed in a suitable reflector which is bolted securely over the opening. Pig brooders consume an average of 30 kilowatt-hours of power per litter.

Meat Income High



Almost one-third of the American farmer's total cash income last year came from the sale of meat animals, according to the chart above, prepared by the American Meat Institute from U.S. department of agriculture figures.

The value of meat animals was more than nine and one-half billion dollars. Total cash receipts from all crops, including government payments, approached \$1 and one-half billion dollars.

From their cash income, farmers and ranchers paid out large amounts for stock, feed, labor and other operating costs.

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Town Topics

The Rev. Parker Bradburn Holloway, son of the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. Parker B. Holloway of Madison, N. J., and Rustic Ridge, East Northfield, was married on June 29, in Lynn, Mass. to Miss Norma Elizabeth Kenerson.

Mrs. Holloway is a graduate of Green Mountain Junior College and West Virginia Wesleyan College. Mr. Holloway, West Virginia Wesleyan College, '48, belongs to Kappa Alpha, Phi Epsilon Theta and Alpha Psi Omega. He has been assistant pastor of the First Methodist Church, Englewood, N. J., and has recently been appointed pastor of the Calvary Methodist Church, Union City, N. J.

Rev. Joseph W. Reeves is at the Pinewoods Camp, near Plymouth, Massachusetts, where he is teaching at a Pilgrim Fellowship Conference of Young People. One hundred and fifty Congregational Young People are attending the conference.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert F. Seeley,

formerly of Westhaven, N. J., are occupying the home at 36 Main street owned by Dr. Lewis Hodous. Mrs. Seeley is an alumna of the Northfield School for Girls. Both Mr. and Mrs. Seeley will join the staff of the Northfield School for Girls in September.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Goodspeed left this week for Elyria, Ohio, where they will be joined by his brother Albert and his wife for a trip to McGregor Bay, Ontario, Canada for a visit with another brother Charles Goodspeed. The latter recently purchased an island on McGregor Bay. This is the first reunion for the brothers in many years.

Mr. and Mrs. William Marshall, of Gwynedd, Pa., were visiting his brother, George Marshall and family, recently, and they will continue their vacation trip to Gloucester. Bill Marshall is purchasing agent for the Rolle Mfg. Co. of Lansdale, Pa.

Rev. E. E. Jones has returned home after several weeks confinement to Brattleboro Memorial Hospital. His condition is greatly

improved.

For those who were up at 5:15 a. m. Tuesday of this week Mother Nature put on quite an auroral display featuring an all pink rainbow in the western sky, over Northfield.

Miss Erma V. Reynolds, of the French department at the Northfield School for Girls, recently sailed for France. She will spend some time in the village of Camiers — the town adopted by the PRESS and residents of Northfield.

S. Sgt. and Mrs. Herbert C. White were home from Roswell Field, N. M., for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Payson, and son Jimmy who is

staying with the Paysons.

The continued drought in this area is taking its toll of local backyard gardens, with no expected relief in sight.

Mrs. Ansel B. True has returned from the hospital.

Mrs. W. R. Moody was hostess at a small party for Mrs. George McMillan this week and Mrs. A. G. Moody read an original poem for the gathering.

Miss Harriet Hastings, of Orange, is staying with Mrs. C. H. Webster of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dale of School street, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Harry F. Broughton of Westfield for the holiday week end.

Former Resident Dies in Florida

William A. Wright, 82, a native of Northfield died this week in

Lake Worth, Fla. He was the son of the late Eliza and Henry Wright and his wife Myra (Alexander) Wright died several years ago.

The Kidder Funeral Home is

handling arrangements and burial will be in the family lot in this town. No date has been announced.

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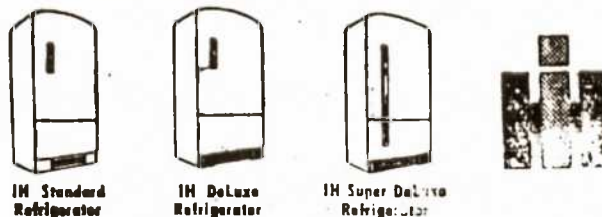
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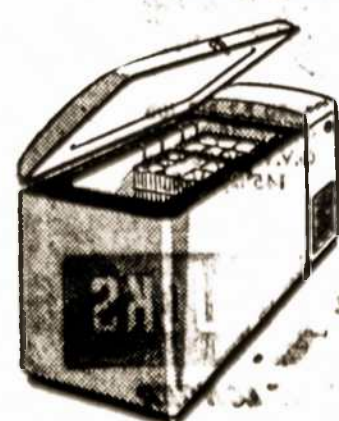


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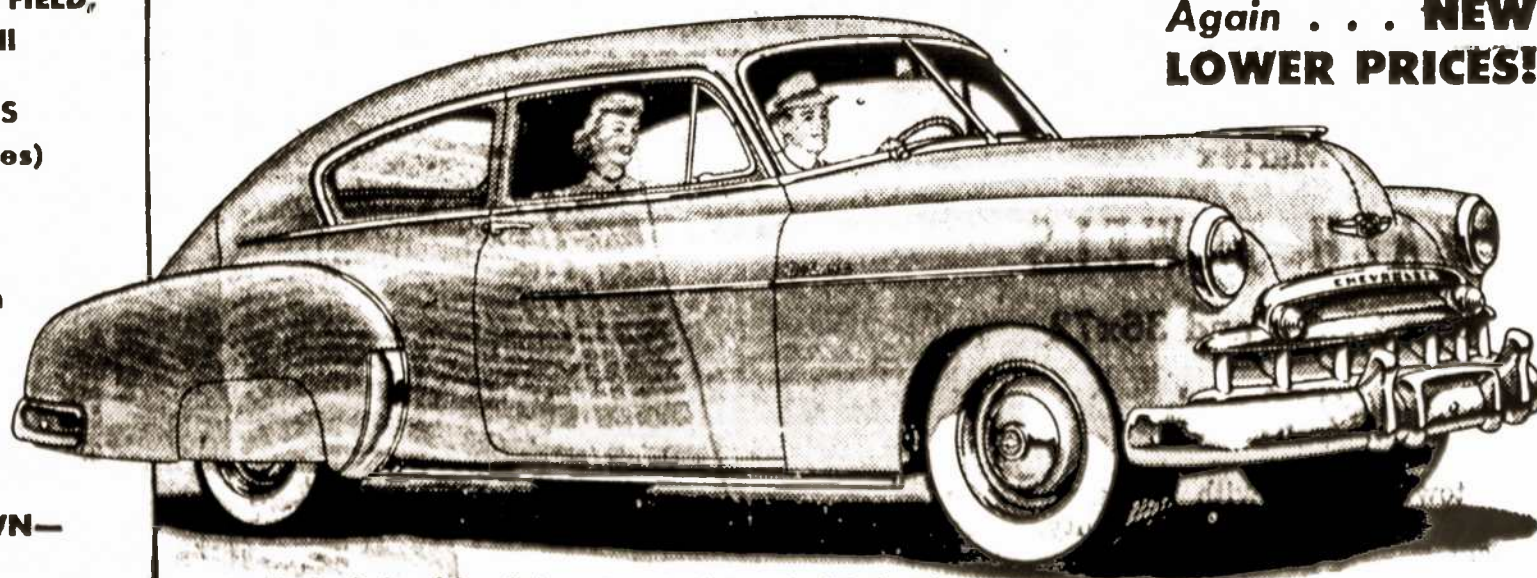
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GERTRUDE C. WHITNEY

I have just come in from pulling up ragweed along the roadside — even the tiniest plant that had managed to get a foothold, despite the drought. Why have I such a special animosity towards this weed? Because it is one of the worst menaces to unfortunate hay-fever victims, probably the worst. Golden-rod is another and we have plenty of both. Talk about making the golden-rod the national flower! Not according to my idea. If I were asked, I'd say, what's sweeter and more appropriate than the wild rose?

Can't we do something about eradicating the ragweed from our town? It looks harmless enough right now and has a rather fern-like lacey leaf, but by the middle of August it will have made a terrific start, out back of the barn or along the roadside, and those pedestrians who are allergic to it will begin sneezing, their eyes will water and they will have a very mean feeling head. They will end by going away, if they can afford the time and money, to some seaside or mountain resort where there

is no rag-weed. Worse still, the disease gets a stranglehold and will return each summer when the pollen is blowing in the air. And so, good citizens, let's help the so-called hay-fever victims by pulling up all the ragweed plants we find in our own premises or along the roadside. Stopping is good exercise, especially for the liver.

I had a friend, a school teacher who suffered dreadfully with hay-fever so that she had to spend her entire vacation in the mountains, "above the ragweed belt", as her doctor advised. We were young, when I first met her up in Sugar Hill, New Hampshire. I felt sorry for the poor girl but the high altitude and the absence of the irritating weeds, improved her condition greatly. We were congenial and formed the habit of going away together for several seasons. The second summer, the disease had already gotten a good start and she came fortified with a bottle of muriatic acid to be inhaled through the nostrils. Then she would open her mouth and inhale the fumes which looked very much like smoke. The treatment was pretty rough on the victim, but I couldn't help laughing. Finally, she began to get better. All this, just to give some idea of what hay-fever victims really do suffer.

Speaking of weeds, did you know that pigweed, or lamb's quarters, makes very delicious greens for

the table — as good as spinach. Yet many gardeners pull it up by the handful. I did, myself, until I discovered what delicious eating it was. It should be picked in the early morning when the plants are not over a foot high and have that pretty lavender pink bloom on them.

Once when visiting a close friend in Connecticut at a fine old farmhouse, my friend's mother went out into the garden and returned shortly with her apron full of something or other which she served up for dinner in the shape of greens. They tasted good to me and I asked her what went into the mess (I didn't say "meat"). "Oh, some pigweed and some mustard greens, a little milkweed and a few nettle tops!" she replied — just weeds! Here was a thrifty woman and a good example to many a wasteful American housekeeper. You remember the old saying, "A woman can throw out with a teaspoon more than a man can bring in with a shovel."

STRAW HAT CIRCUIT

The Keene Summer Theatre will present "WHEN LADIES MEET" by Rachel Crothers, July 11th through July 16th. Evenings at 8:30. No matinees. Prices are \$1.50, \$1.00, and \$0.50, tax included.

AS I SEE IT

by Matt P. Gubser

As stated in last week's column, Youth Argosy arranges for transportation for group members and individuals, who desire travel opportunities for education, friendship and service. Some of the groups participating this summer are The Experiment in International Living, with headquarters at Putney, Vt.; New School of Social Research, New York City; American Friends Service Committee, Philadelphia; Oslo Summer School for American Students, Northfield, Minn.; American Youth Hostels, New York City; and St. Hubert's School, Sudbury, Mass. These are a few of the many groups interested in sending young people to Europe for studying, living and working with others in the reconstruction of a war-torn world. This is actual participation and preparation for living in "one-world". The colossal task undertaken by Youth Argosy to provide for nearly ten thousand passages by air and ship has been aptly characterized as "the cultural phase of the Marshall Plan."

Isabel and Monroe Smith, having

caught the vision of "one-world", took positive steps by starting Youth Argosy. To further promote good will, better understandings between peoples, and friendship, they will depart this Saturday from Bradley Field, Windsor Locks, Conn., on the first leg of their Round the World Flight. They will conduct a group of people similarly interested in educational and friendship objectives. Their promises to be a great trip! They will be ambassadors of good will, representing you and me from Main street, U. S. A.

The Smiths promise to let us know of their impressions of what they shall witness. In turn, they will try to pass on to you, through the medium of the Northfield Press, their experiences and observations. Thus vicariously, all of us can share in their enterprising and become better acquainted with the reconstruction program from all parts of the globe.

Do You Know Massachusetts?

DO YOU KNOW THAT ... Reports of the Division of Employment Security show that while the total unemployment claim load for the State continued to rise during June, 18 of the 39 districts reported improvement ... The number of claims dropped 44% in Hyannis district during June, 19% in Brockton and North Adams, 18% in Haverhill, 15% in Webster and 44% in Marlborough and Gloucester ... Some improvement also appeared in Northampton, Lawrence, Taunton, Lynn, Milford, Waltham, New Bedford, Lowell, Newburyport, Chicopee and Attleboro districts ... The Federal Reserve Bank's tourist index for May points to a record season in Massachusetts for boys' and girls' camps and substantial increase over last year in total number of tourists on Cape Cod and the Buzzards Bay, Vineyard and Nantucket areas ... (Water consumption in Boston Metropolitan District set an all-time record during the week ending June 25 at an average of 201,600,999 gallons per day, or 133 gallons per person. ... The number of motor trucks registered in Massachusetts has increased by about 50,000 since 1941 and the number of buses by about

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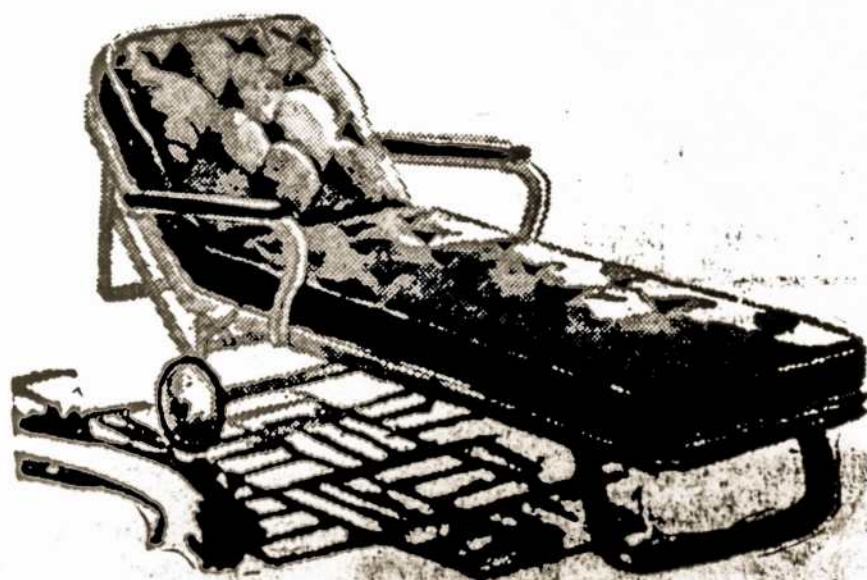
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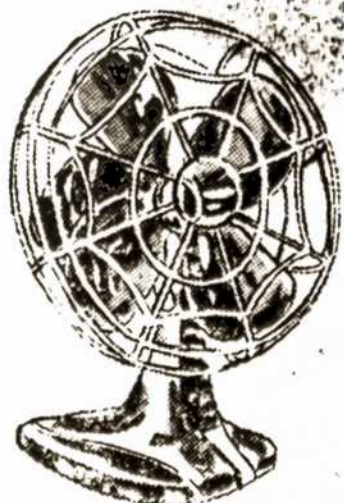
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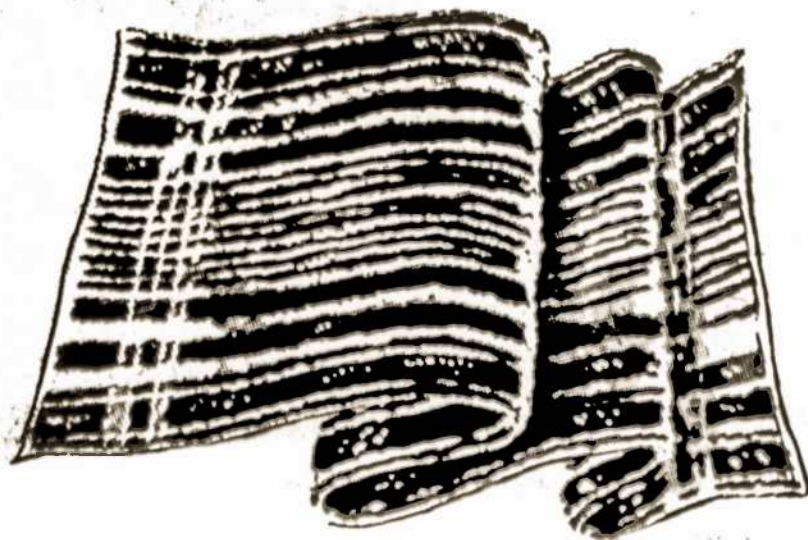
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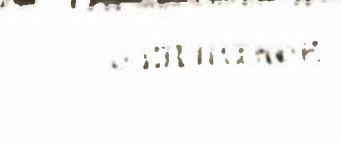
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